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HIGHLIGHTS

- A total of 167 fires have been reported this year. Total acreage burned is 39,817.4 acres. There were 3 new fires reported yesterday. There are 13 active fires in the state; 1 is on the military lands, 1 in the Tanana Zone, 4 in the Fairbanks area, 1 in the Kenai area, 1 in Copper River, 1 in Tok, 1 in Delta, 1 in the Mat-Su area and, 2 in the Upper Yukon Zone. All are being monitored closely.
- The Mooseheart Fire acreage is at 19,700 acres due to updated mapping. There was a steady rain in the area on Sunday. The Chena Hotshots and 2 Tanana crews are working on native allotments on the west and east sides of the confluence of the Tanana and Cosna River to evaluate protection of structures and set up hose lays as required. Six smokejumpers are scheduled to be released on Wednesday. Higher humidity and cooler temperatures have helped moderate fire behavior. 87 personnel are on site.
- The Ferry Fire continues to creep and smolder. 45 personnel are on site.
 One crew is scheduled for release Wednesday. The fire did receive precipitation yesterday.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: http://fire.ak.blm.gov
 - Map of Current Fires: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php
 - Situation Report: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf
- National Fire Situation: http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf
- Creating Defensible Space: http://firewise.org/ and http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/pdfs/02firewise.pdf
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, http://511.alaska.gov
- Division of Forestry, Burn Permit Info: (907) 451-2626, http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/fire/
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm
- National Parks Service: <u>www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm</u>

- National Weather Service: http://www.nws.noaa.gov/
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: http://www.fws.gov/fire/
- USDA Forest Service: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc
- Federal Aviation Administration: http://www.faa.gov

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